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SMOOTH YARN

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AMENDMENT Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir

In response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.